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NIGHT SAILING.

A night to be up and away
Where the sea is rolled in a tide
Under the full moon's ray;
To fly with the wind till the
cleft waves his
From the racing prow each way,
Where the tumult of winds and
of waters is
Over the sounding bay.
And the sails in the moonlight
shine
The flashing foam flies free,
The land is a long low line,
The gunwale scoops the brine,
And lords of the night are we.
—H. E. Clarke.

THE POT AND THE KETTLE

WHEN all prejudice is laid aside it must be admitted that none of the big European nations are really in

position to talk very scandalously about the others on some subjects. For instance when Lloyd George bitterly accused Germany of "taking one fair field after another from weaker neighbors and adding them to her own dominions," the unregenerated Teutons could well reply by asking where England got Canada, South Africa, India, Gibraltar, her West Indian possessions, Hong Kong and various other possessions. None of these colonies were obtained by Great Britain from nations more powerful than herself; therefore Lloyd George's indictment is to the effect Germany has been following the British line of behavior. As to anti-militarism after the war is John Bull ready to take a stand for disarmament on the ocean as well as on the land? If he is not is John in any position to rail at the extent of Germany's land forces?

BY THE FRONT DOOR

A NEW York judge has ruled that a baby living at an apartment house has a perfect right to come in by the front door. It is not necessary for her to enter via the basement with the laundry, the vegetables, eggs and milk. The judge is right in more ways than one. In spite of the world's progress along lines of democracy and wisdom there is still too much of a distinction between the front door and the back door. It embraces other subjects than the baby question but the matter is too complicated for discussion here.

THEIR BURNED FINGERS

WITH reference to charges that secret government information has been available for Wall street prior to being given the country the most serious aspect is the possibility some officials at Washington may have participated in the lamb shearing that ensued upon the stock exchange. If suspicion to this effect exists there is room for a real and thorough search to ascertain the truth. The demerits being in charge of congress and the administration

and therefore responsible to the country should take the lead.

On the other hand if there is no indication of official participation in the Wall street game and the wails all come from those who took gambler's chances and lost the sooner the subject is dropped the better. Men who play with fire can expect to get their fingers burned now and then and when the thing happens it is needless for them to annoy others with their howling.

THE CANAL'S SURPLUS

IT was characteristic of Major General George W. Goethals that at the luncheon given in his honor by the merchants' association, after the warm and justly tribute to himself from William C. Breed and Irving T. Bush, the guest gave the keynote to the demonstration by treating with the knowledge of an expert and the frankness of an American the future of the great Panama canal, in which the United States government has already invested \$370,000,000 for the benefit of the commerce of the world, says an editorial in the Brooklyn Eagle.

General Goethals is flatly against any renewal of the effort in favor of differential freights for "coastwise trade," though he anticipates such an effort in the present congress or the next one. He thinks toll rates should be fixed on carrying capacity, earning capacity, not always indicated by technical tonnage. He thinks, also, that by the present system the United States is losing about 30 per cent of what it ought to get. Nevertheless, he is proud that in the first fiscal year of operation the canal showed \$350,000 surplus of returns over operating expenses. He can see the time at hand when the "big ditch" will begin to pay interest on construction charges. He is no pessimist about the Panama canal.

Thomas J. Abernethy, a Harvard senior, classed by the late Hugo Munsterberg as having a perfect mind, is going to follow the business of canning sardines; with so much mental

brilliance to his credit he should try for larger fish.

Pendleton has enjoyed a most prosperous and gratifying year; we can do still better in 1917 if all will pull together for the community's welfare and use the hammers for the legitimate business of upbuilding, not tearing down.

Umatilla county farmer—one whose work consist of motor trips into the country during the spring, summer and fall and whose favorite midwinter pastimes are sojourning in California and worrying about taxes.

Major General Wood says that six months training of the right sort will make a soldier; one second's work by the right sort of a bullet can undo it all.

Dr. Pankhurst of New York warmly denies that the churches caused the war in Europe which is also the first news that they were suspected.

The lazy man who does not want to sweep the snow from off his walk can claim as an alibi that he does not want to interfere with the children's coasting.

Tom Lawson's tales of "leaks" recalls some of the stories by Samuel Blythe dealing with the relationship between certain congressmen and Wall street interests.

28 Years Ago Today

(From the Daily East Oregonian, Dec. 29, 1888.)
Centerville claims 700 inhabitants, among whom are nine secret societies. Miss Flora Deepain arrived on this morning's train from Portland.

Young people who wish to be cordially asked to attend the gathering at slaughter's academy this evening at 7 P. M. J. Furnish has purchased a span of beautiful black fillies which when fully broken will make one of the finest teams in town.

The O. R. & N. Co. has just commenced the erection of a large ice-house in Pendleton near the depot.

That seductive and popular drink, Thomas and Jeremiah, has made its appearance at several well known resorts.

A peddler tried to swindle an Adams lady the other day but she would not have it that way.

The Standard theater on Webb street opened up the other night and a crowded house greeted the performance.

The Farmington branch passenger train had a lively time of it coming down last evening. The engine ran into a band of horses, scattering them in all directions.

Hopner Gazette: The Pendleton people would do well in our judgment to pay some attention to the advice of the East Oregonian, a wide-awake sheet which is certainly doing all it can for its town and surrounding country.

Yesterday Dr. Vincent had occasion to visit the poorhouse and to explain his absence, stuck on his door a notice, "Gone to the Poorhouse." Some person, having need of the doctor's services, rushed to his office and the first thing that struck his attention were the words above quoted. He hurriedly scrawled underneath: "Hard luck. If times don't get better I'll have to go there, too."



Alta Today and Tomorrow.

Look What Happened

Freddie Crabbe

Of Salt Lake City

VS.

Frank McCarroll

Of Pendleton, Oregon.

For the middleweight wrestling championship of the world.

Owing to the fact that Crabbe has a big match in Texas soon this contest will be January 10 instead of on the 3rd as announced previously.

IT WILL BE THE GREATEST WRESTLING MATCH EVER WITNESSED IN PENDLETON.

REUBEN BECKWITH

PIANIST

Assisted by

FOREST LA BARRE, Violinist

IN CONCERT

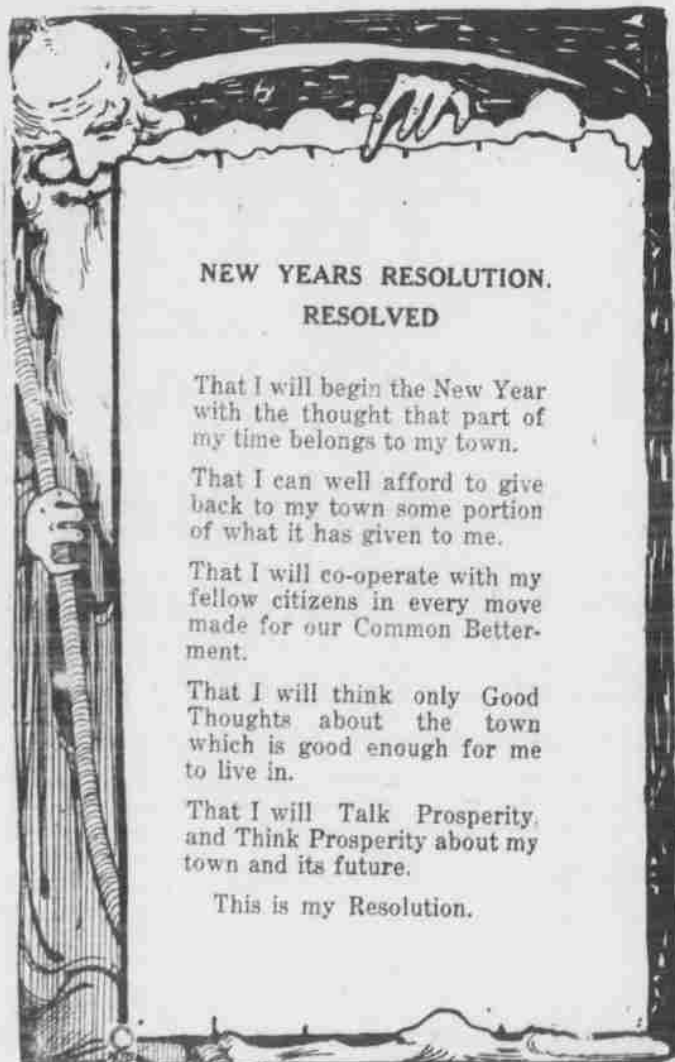
Saturday Dec. 30th, 1916

First Methodist Church

Admission 50c

8:30

Tickets on Sale at Warren's Music House.



NEW YEARS RESOLUTION. RESOLVED

That I will begin the New Year with the thought that part of my time belongs to my town.

That I can well afford to give back to my town some portion of what it has given to me.

That I will co-operate with my fellow citizens in every move made for our Common Betterment.

That I will think only Good Thoughts about the town which is good enough for me to live in.

That I will Talk Prosperity and Think Prosperity about my town and its future.

This is my Resolution.

The Power of a Ten Dollar Bill

CONSIDER the POWER of a Ten Dollar Bill when it is spent AT HOME. It is like MAGIC. It CIRCULATES. It pays off a HUNDRED obligations. It creates BUSINESS and puts people to WORK in our community. But the ten dollar bill that is sent away to the out-of-town house does NOTHING for OUR town. It becomes DEAD to US. It is out of commission forever as far as OUR town is concerned. We NEVER see it again. Let US, then, give POWER to the money we SPEND. Let us remember that our BEST investment is that POWER-MONEY that we spend at HOME.

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